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GRODNO, USSR  
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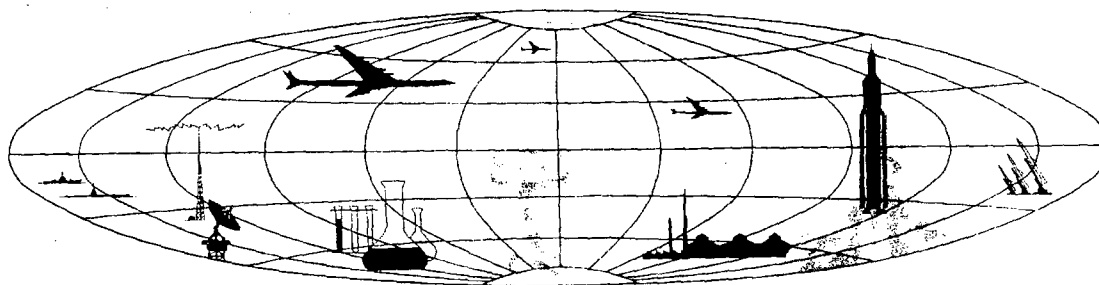
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## PREFACE

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Titles and letter designators for the various facilities are as follows: (A) railroad service, (B) road service, (C) landing strips, (D) administrative and troop housing areas, (E) storage areas, (F) ammunition storage areas, (G) POL storage areas, (H) other buildings and facilities, (J) equipment storage/maintenance areas, (K) athletic fields, (L) small arms firing ranges, (M) driver training areas, (N) tank/assault gun firing ranges, (P) flat trajectory firing ranges, (Q) artillery emplacements (batteries), (R) infantry or combined arms field training area or courses, (S) special training facilities, (T) unidentified facilities or tracking activity.

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GRODNO ARMY BARRACKS AND DEPOT NEMAN RIVER SOUTH

(53-40N 023-50E)

GRODNO, GRODNENSKAYA OBLAST, USSR

BELORUSSIAN MD

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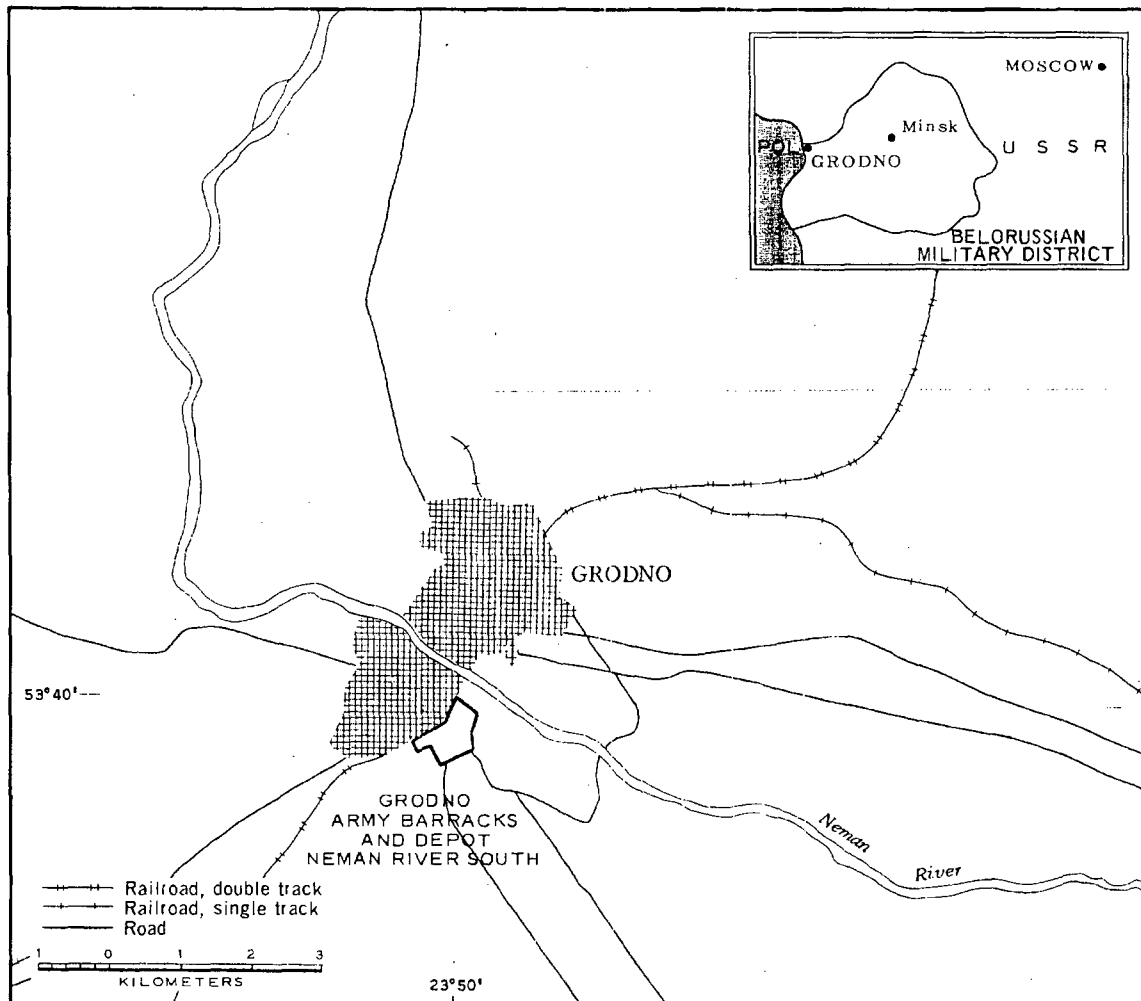


FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF GRODNO ARMY BARRACKS AND DEPOT NEMAN RIVER SOUTH.

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**SUMMARY**

Grodno Army Barracks and Depot Neman River South is located in the southeast sector of Grodno (53-40N 023-50E). The installation is served by a spur from the double-track Grodno-Bialystok rail line and by a series of secondary roads which provide access to Grodno. Military installations in the immediate vicinity include Grodno Army Barracks East (AL-1), Grodno Army Barracks Southeast (AL-2), and two storage areas.

The installation covers approximately 240 acres and contains three administration buildings, 12 probable quarters, 82 storage buildings, one probable special storage building, two prob-

able storage buildings, one large building under construction, one possible maintenance building, and five support buildings.

The general layout and type of buildings and absence of barracks indicate the function of this installation to be primarily storage.

The area was covered by 11 KEYHOLE missions between March 1962 and February 1964. Two buildings under construction were observed on June 1962 coverage and appear to be incomplete on February 1964 photography. Track activity is extensive on summer coverage but decreases during the winter months.

**DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION****Railroad Service**

A spur from the double-track Grodno-Bialystok rail line forms two sub spurs and serves two separate groups of buildings.

**Road Service**

Secondary roads provide access to Grodno.

**Administrative and Troop Housing Areas**

Area D1 contains three administration and three support buildings. Two of the administration buildings and one of the support buildings are located within a secured area. Trackage indicates the area is being used.

Area D2 contains 12 probable personnel quarters. These small buildings are located within a wooded area. Trackage indicates they are being used.

**General Storage Areas**

Area E1 is secured and contains six small storage buildings and one large probable special storage building.

Area E2 contains 19 storage buildings and one storage building under construction. This area appears to be undergoing expansion.

Area E3 contains 11 storage buildings.

Area E4 is rail and road served and contains 35 storage buildings.

Area E5 contains three storage buildings.

Area E6 contains seven storage buildings. Track activity indicates all areas are occupied.

**Ammunition Storage Area**

Area F contains two 75- by 30-foot probable explosive storage buildings. These buildings are situated in between the earthen walls

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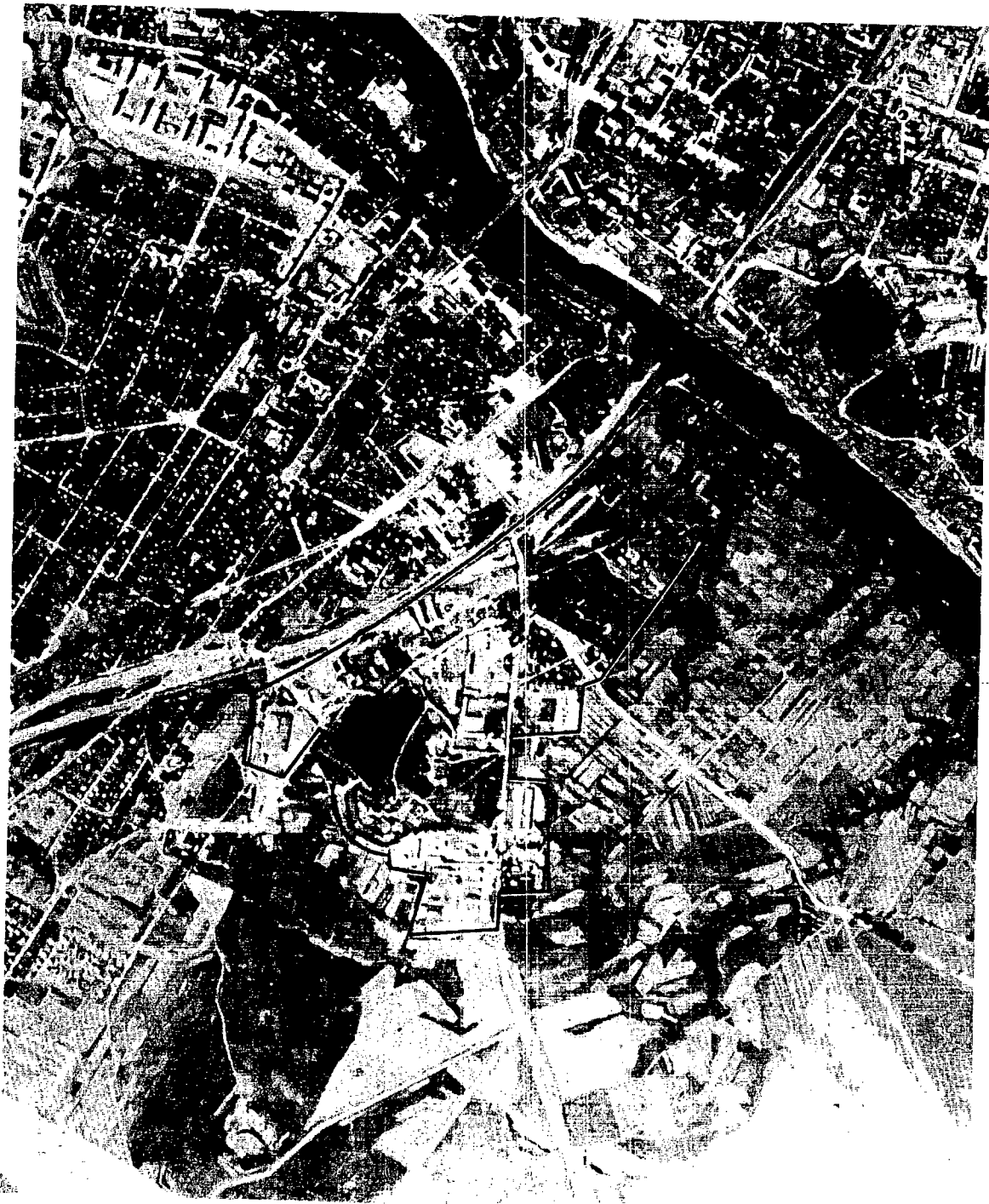


FIGURE 2. GRODNO ARMY BARRACKS AND DEPOT NEMAN RIVER SOUTH, GRODNO, USSR, SEPTEMBER 1963.

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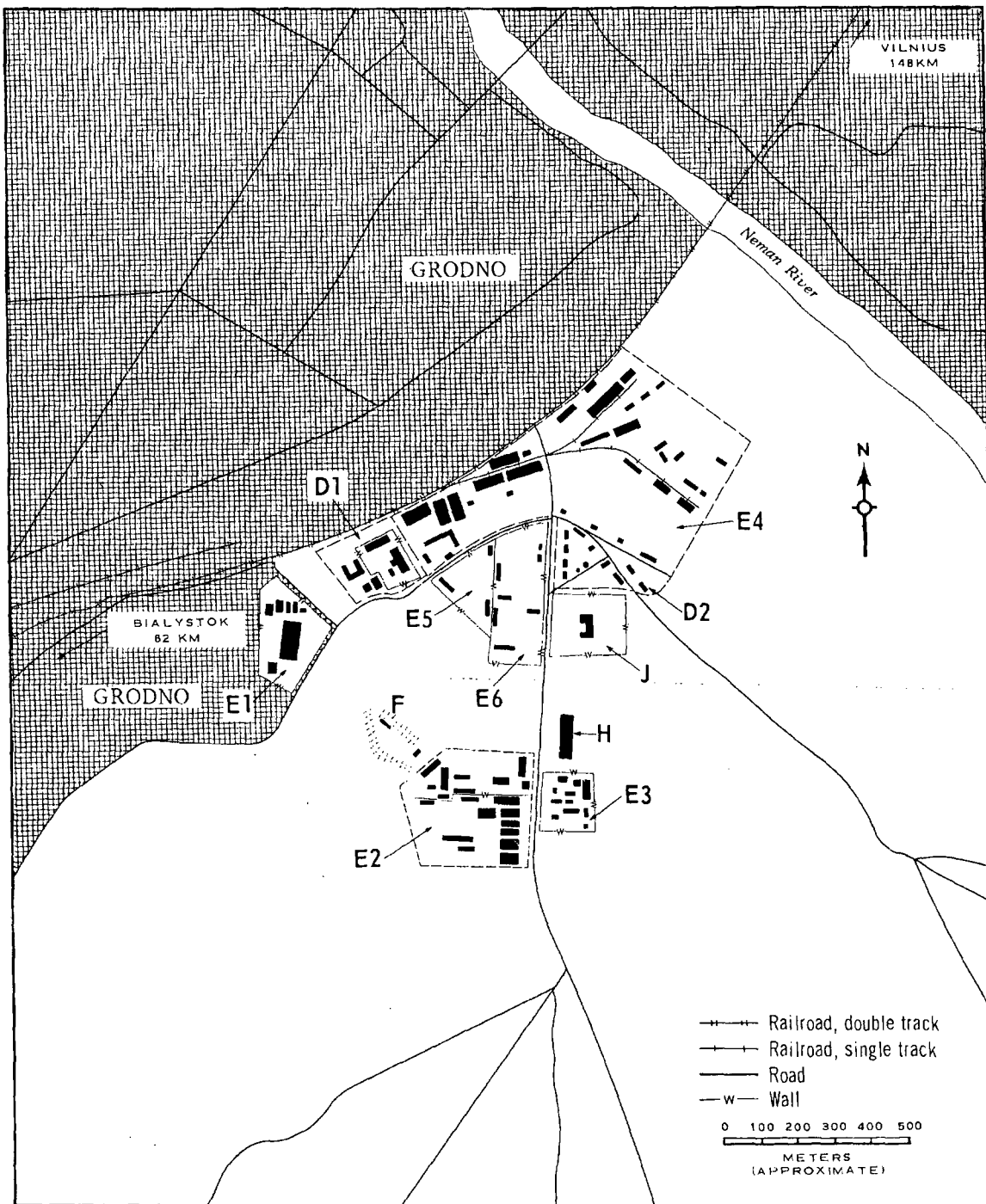


FIGURE 3. GRODNO ARMY BARRACKS AND DEPOT NEMAN RIVER SOUTH. Sketch compiled from [redacted] July 1963.

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of an old fort. Their isolation and the blast protection afforded by earthen walls indicate probable explosives storage.

#### Other Buildings

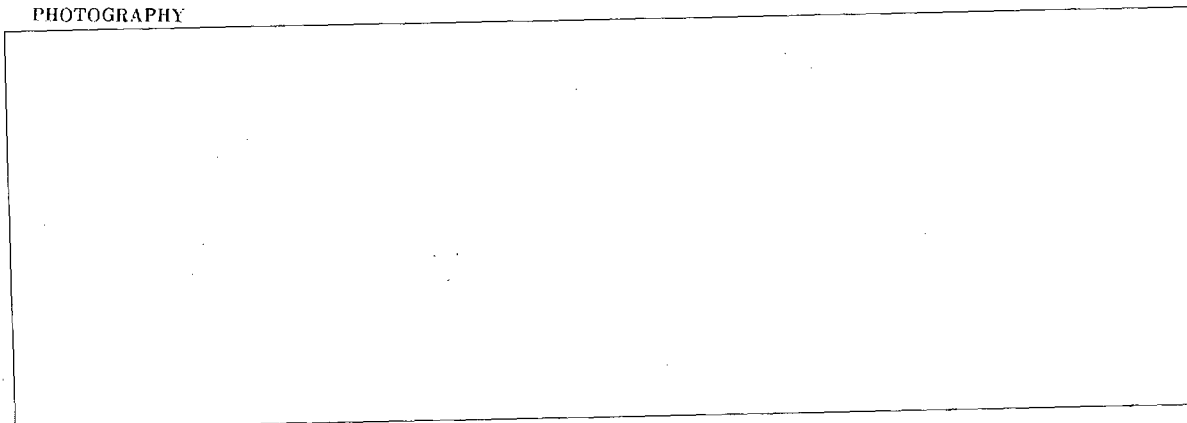
Annotation H indicates a large unidentified building under construction. The walls and a partition were observed on September 1963 photography.

#### Equipment Storage/Maintenance Area

Area J contains one possible maintenance and two support buildings. The possible maintenance building is U-shaped and measures 190 by 40 feet with 85- by 40-foot wings. It is located in a large secured area. Heavy trackage, a large open area surrounding the building, and possible vehicles were observed on summer missions--indicating this is a motor pool.

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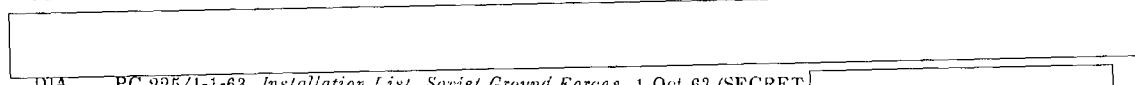


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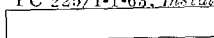
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